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Division Chief Lynda Cassady
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Dear Division Chief Cassady:

Our organization made contributions to two affected state candidate committees that were managed by Treasurer Durkee and Associates. We respectfully request that the FPPC grant the affected campaign committees the flexibility to replace the contributions that have been stolen. These funds were stolen not only from the affected candidates, but from those contributors who intended those funds to be used to further the candidates and the campaign issues of their choice.

Given the enormous theft of funds from many Durkee and Associates clients, it seems only fair that the FPPC allow prior donors to replace contributions, up to the legal limits at the time they were made. Although the contributions were received by the campaign committees, authorized expenditures were not made.

If candidates are not allowed to replace that money, several upcoming elections will surely be adversely affected.

If you have any questions, you can reach me by email or call me at 714-835-3355. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Nick Berardino

General Manager

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